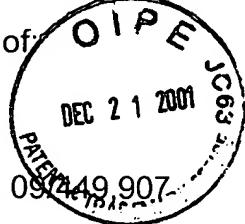


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Art Unit: 3723

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Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 22, 2001, for a three (3) months from September 22, 2001 to December 22, 2001.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of Five Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$520.00) (a two-month Extension of Time was filed on October 25, 2001 with \$400.00) to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are required with respect to this paper, please charge Counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referring to client-matter number 107176-09004.

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